

MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING
September 7, 2016

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at the Williamson County Highway Department facility at 302 Beasley Drive in Franklin, TN. Commission members present: County Mayor and Highway Commission Chairman, Rogers Anderson; Commissioners Stan Tyson, Wayne Davis, and Charlie Bennett. Commissioner Fowlkes and Superintendent Hood were unable to attend.

Also present were: Greg Boll, Elaine Vasquez, Randy Hickman, Brandon Wright, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; William Andrews, Floyd Heflin, Engineering; Mike Matteson, Planning Director; Nena Graham, Budget Director; Robert Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Moseley, & Carson; and other interested individuals.

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for the approval of the minutes of the August 3, 2016 Highway Commission meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Special Announcements: There were no Special Announcements.

Citizen Communications:

Laura Turner, 1108 Dickinson Lane, Franklin, TN appeared before the Commission representing Citizens for The Old Natchez Trace. She read from a prepared statement that voiced opposition to the proposed turn lane on Sneed Road at Old Natchez Trace Road. (Statement is attached).

Elections and Appointments: There were no Elections and Appointments.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Request from Stefan Teichert, on behalf of DaVita HealthCare Partners, Inc. and Bridges of Life for approval to utilize Edwards Grove Road, Comstock Road, Bethesda-Arno Road, Cool Springs Road, Peytonsville-Trinity Road, Trinity Road, Ladd Road, Flat Creek Road, Taliaferro Road, Cox Road, McDaniel Road, Arno Road, Harpeth-Peytonsville Road, Johnson Hollow Road, Robinson Road, Leipers Creek Road, Natchez Trace Road, Bending Chestnut Road, Garrison Road, Southall Road, Carl Road, West Harpeth Road, and Sedberry Road to conduct a charitable fundraising event called the Tour DaVita Charity Bicycle Ride, which will include two levels of bicycle routes and will be held in Williamson County on September 21 thru September 26 thru 28th, 2016 beginning at 8:15 am. (Commissioner Fowlkes, Tyson, Davis, and Bennett,)(CC Districts 1, Jones/Jones; 2, Hester/Herbert; 4, Danner/Lawrence; 5, Green/Little, and District 9, Kaestner/Clark).**

County Attorney Cook stated that he and Superintendent Hood drove the route of the race to compile a list of the intersections where extra security and safety measures are needed. He added that Mr. DePriest provided a letter from the Sheriff's Department verifying that extra security and traffic measures will be provided at the requested intersections.

Steve DePriest, Senior Vice President of DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. stated that DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. is a dialysis company and is based in Denver, Colorado. He added that this is the 10th year that the Bridges of Life race has been held, and is also his 10th year as the leader of the DaVita Team which consists of 550 riders from DaVita locations all over the country. Mr. DePriest added that he anticipates raising 1 million dollars from this year's race, and stated that over 7 million dollars have been raised over the 10 year history of the race to benefit medical missions in other countries such as Haiti and Malaysia. He stated that arrangements for the extra security and safety measures have been made with the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Tyson asked Mr. DePriest about the medical services provided by the charity.

Mr. DePriest stated that they provide dialysis and primary care in countries that otherwise would not have access to such services. He added in response to Commissioner Tyson's question, that they set up the clinics, provide the equipment, and train the staff so that treatment can be ongoing.

Motion to approve the request to utilize the aforementioned roads in the Bridges of Life bicycle race was made by Commissioner Tyson. It was seconded by Commissioner Davis and passed unanimously, 4-0.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Resolution 9-16-9 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2016-2017 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING UP TO \$323,330.25 FOR PAVING EXPENSES, REVENUES TO COME FROM HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE.**

Mrs. Graham stated that this resolution contains a typo, and should read that revenues are to come from State Aid Funding.

Mr. Boll stated that these funds are from State Aid funding and are reimbursable to the Highway Department for Oscar Green Road.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of Resolution 9-16-9. It was seconded by Commissioner Bennett and passed unanimously, 4-0.

- 2. Resolution 9-16-10 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2016-2017 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING UP TO \$210,000 FOR ROAD SALT, REVENUES TO COME FROM UNAPPROPRIATED HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE.**

Mr. Boll stated that this resolution provides for anticipated salt usage in the upcoming winter months. He added that salt usage last year was 3000 tons, and that the salt has to be pre-ordered so that availability is guaranteed in the winter months.

Commissioner Tyson stated that a resolution to replenish salt was passed earlier in the year, and questioned the necessity of additional funds.

Mr. Boll stated that based on the amount of salt used last winter, the Highway Department is required to pre-order the salt. He added that any unused funds for salt will go back into the fund balance.

Chair Anderson reminded the Commission of a shortage of road salt several years ago. He added that in order to prevent another shortage for Williamson County, placing an order will hold salt in reserve for the County. He went on to say that if the County doesn't use the full amount ordered, the salt doesn't have to be picked up, and the unused funds go back into the fund balance.

Commissioner Davis moved for approval of Resolution 9-16-10. It was seconded by Commissioner Tyson and passed unanimously, 4-0.

- 3. Resolution 9-16-11 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2016-2017 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE UP TO \$100,000 FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION.**

Mr. Boll stated that this resolution will provide for additional bridge construction. He added that 3 bridges were completed in recent months and added that these funds will allow for the construction of 2 more bridges.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of Resolution 9-16-11. It was seconded by Commissioner Bennett and passed unanimously, 4-0.

- 4. Resolution 9-16-12 RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING AND AMENDING THE 2016-2017 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY \$200,000 FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND SURVEY COSTS, REVENUES TO COME FROM UNAPPROPRIATED HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE.**

Mr. Boll stated that this resolution will allow for money to be moved into the capital projects budget for preliminary engineering services and survey work needed in order to begin holding public forums regarding road improvements on the major corridors identified in the Williamson County Major Corridor Study.

Chairman Anderson added that the public forums will be held in the Page High School area as well as the Grassland area, and the Clovercroft area.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of Resolution 9-16-12. It was seconded by Commissioner Bennett and passed unanimously, 4-0.

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5. Resolution 9-16-35 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT.

Mr. Horne stated that this Corridor Management Agreement pertains specifically to Columbia Pike, and the Cities and Municipalities along the Columbia Pike Corridor. He stated that the Municipalities involved are Williamson County, City of Franklin, Town of Thompson Station, City of Spring Hill, City of Columbia, Maury County, TDOT, and the MPO. It is facilitated by TDOT and seeks to insure that all Municipalities involved are on the same page, he added.

Chair Anderson added that the agreement is not a commitment of money, but is a commitment that all Municipalities involved are on willing to participate.

Mr. Boll stated that Superintendent Hood recommended approval.

County Attorney Cook stated that from a legal standpoint, everything is in order.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of Resolution 9-16-35. It was seconded by **Commissioner Davis** and passed unanimously, 4-0.

6. REPORT FOR ACCEPTANCE OF LUCERNE LANE AND OBER BRIENZ LANE, ADDITIONS TO BRIENZ VALLEY SUBDIVISION SECTION ONE, AS A PART OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (HC Bennett; CC District 2, Hester/Herbert)

Mr. Boll, and Staff recommend acceptance of the report.

Commissioner Bennett moved to accept the Report for Acceptance of Lucerne Lane and Ober Brienz Lane, additions to Brienz Valley Subdivision, Section One. It was seconded by **Commissioner Davis** and passed unanimously, 4-0.

7. REPORT FOR ACCEPTANCE OF OBER BRIENZ LANE AND PILATI PLACE, ADDITIONS TO THE BRIENZ VALLEY SUBDIVISION SECTION TWO, AS A PART OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (HC Bennett; CC District 2, Hester/Herbert)

Mr. Boll and Staff recommend acceptance of the report.

Commissioner Bennett moved to accept the Report for Acceptance of Ober Brienz Lane and Pilati Place, additions to Brienz Valley Subdivision, Section Two. It was seconded by **Commissioner Davis** and passed unanimously, 4-0.

8. Request from Scott Alexander, on behalf of the Nolensville Running Club, to utilize Kidd Road, McFarlin Road, Fly Road, Rocky Springs Road, and York Road which are more specifically described in the attached map, to conduct the inaugural Rollin' Nolen 10 Mile Run, a charitable fundraising event to be held on October 22, 2016 beginning at 7:00 am. (HC Fowlkes; CC District 5, Green/Little).

County Attorney Cook stated that all conditions have been met and everything is in order.

Mr. Boll recommended approval.

Scott Alexander, President of the Nolensville Running Club stated that proceeds will benefit the new Nolensville High School to help purchase equipment. This is our first charity run with hopes of many to come, he added.

Chair Anderson recognized **Mr. Jimmy Alexander**, Mayor of Nolensville.

Mayor Alexander stated that the Rollin' Nolen event will benefit many in the years to come. All safety and security measures are in place, he added.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the charitable Rollin Nolen 10 mile run to be held on October 22nd. It was seconded by **Commissioner Bennett** and passed unanimously, 4-0.

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9. Request by Rachel Simmons and Brian Nock of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Tennessee Chapter, for use of Williamson County roads described on the maps of the charity bicycle routes for the Cycle of Life event to be held on September 17, 2016 to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. (HC Tyson, Bennett, and Davis; CC District 1, Jones/Jones, District 2, Hester/Herbert, District 9, Kaestner/Clark, District 11, Beathard/Ryan).

County Attorney Cook stated that all conditions have been met and everything is in order.

Mr. Boll recommended approval.

Mr. Brian Nock of the Tennessee Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation stated that proceeds from the Cycle of Life race will benefit many families in Williamson County, and the Cystic Fibrosis Clinic at Vanderbilt.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Cycle for Life race to be held on September 17. It was seconded by Commissioner Bennett and passed unanimously, 4-0.

Highway Commission District Reports

Commissioner Davis: Commissioner Davis reported the need for bush hogging in his area, stating that the rain this summer has caused the roadside vegetation to grow quickly.

Commissioner Fowlkes: He was unable to attend.

Commissioner Bennett: He was not aware of any road issues to report.

Commissioner Tyson: Commissioner Tyson stated that the roadside Johnson grass in his district needs to be bush hogged also.

Highway Superintendent Report: Mr. Boll acknowledged the August Activity Report and stated that the bush hog crews are working at full capacity to address the tall grass on the rights-of-way throughout the County.

Highway Chairman Report: Chairman Anderson had no further issues to present.

Legal Issues: County Attorney Cook had no legal issues to present

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55.

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Rogers C. Anderson

Chairman and County Mayor